CHAPTER 208

WILLS AND LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION

H. F. 468

AN ACT to amend section three thousand three hundred four (3304) of the code (C. C. 7826), relating to notice of appointment of executors and administrators, and legalizing notice of appointment given prior to January 1, 1920.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- SECTION 1. Notice of appointment. That the law as it appears in section three thousand three hundred four of the code (C. C. 7826) be, and the same is hereby amended by striking out the period at the end of said section, and adding thereto the following: "and entered of record in the probate docket.".
- SEC. 2. Publication legalized. That in all instances prior to January 1, 1920, where executors or administrators have failed to publish notice of their appointment as required by code section three thousand three hundred four (3304), but have published a notice of appointment, such notice of appointment is hereby legalized and shall have the same force and effect as though the same had been published as directed by the court or clerk.

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CHAPTER 209

PROPERTY STOLEN OR EMBEZZLED

S. F. 701

AN ACT to amend section fifty-five hundred seventy-three (5573) of the code of 1897 (C. C. Sec. 8054) relating to the disposition of stolen, embezzled or abandoned motor vehicles not claimed by the owner thereof.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Disposition of motor vehicles. That the law as it appears in section fifty-five hundred seventy-three (5573) of the code of 1897 (C. C. Sec. 8054) be and the same is hereby amended by adding at the end of said section the following: "Provided, that, whenever any motor vehicle is stolen, embezzled or abandoned and is not claimed by the owner before the date on which the person charged with the stealing or embezzling of same is convicted, or if the motor vehicle be abandoned and is not claimed by the owner within three (3) days, the officer having same in his custody must, on such date by registered mail, notify the secretary of state that he has such a motor vehicle in his possession, giving a full and complete descrip-11 12 tion of same including all marks of identification, factory and serial 13 numbers.

The secretary of state shall, if the owner appears of record in his office, notify such owner of the fact that such motor vehicle is in the custody of such officer, and if not of record in his office, said secretary of state shall mail such description to the county treasurer of each county, and to the State Bureau of Investigation.

If, within forty (40) days thereafter, the owner of such motor vehicle appears and properly identifies same the officer having said motor vehicle in his custody, shall deliver same to such owner upon payment by him of the costs incurred incident to the apprehension of said motor vehicle and the location of such owner. If the owner does not appear within that time, the officer having possession of same shall advertise said motor vehicle for sale in a newspaper published within the county at least once each week for two consecutive

Said motor vehicle shall be sold at public auction to the highest cash bidder therefor and said sale must be held within one week following the date of the last publication of the notice as provided herein. After deducting the costs incident thereto, such officer shall pay all remaining money to the county treasurer for the use and benefit of the general fund.

If, within six (6) months from the date of sale, the owner of any motor vehicle sold under the provisions hereof, makes a showing satisfactory to the board of supervisors that he is the owner of such motor vehicle, the board may direct the county auditor to draw a warrant payable to such owner for the amount such vehicle was sold for less costs and direct the treasurer to pay same out of the general fund.

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CHAPTER 210

MANSLAUGHTER

S. F. 271

AN ACT to further define the crime of manslaughter in the case of death resulting from the consuming of intoxicating liquor, relating to title twenty-four (XXIV) of the code of eighteen hundred ninety-seven (1897) (C. C. title XXXIII), of crimes and punishments.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- SECTION 1. Amendatory declaration. That title twenty-four (XXIV) of the code of eighteen hundred ninety-seven (1897), relating to crimes and punishments be amended so as to further define the crime of manslaughter.
- SEC. 2. Death through sale or gift of liquor. Any person who sells, gives away, or otherwise furnishes intoxicating liquor contrary to law which causes the death of a human being is guilty of manslaughter and nunishable accordingly.

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